

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 552

By Boyd

A RESOLUTION to commend Bob Wilson for his honorable and astute service to his country and his profession on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should specially recognize those estimable public servants who have dedicated themselves to improving the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Bob Wilson is one such person who evinces the greatest integrity and probity in all his chosen endeavors; as a public management and city administration professional, he has served a cross section of communities in the State of Tennessee and beyond; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wilson proudly served the United States of America as a member of the U.S. Navy and served in the Philippines, Thailand, Hong Kong, Okinawa, and the Caribbean during his tour of duty; and

WHEREAS, he earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from the University of Tennessee and his Master of City Management degree from East Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, after attaining his master's degree, Mr. Wilson embarked upon an outstanding career in public management and city administration that has spanned forty years; and

WHEREAS, over the years, he has excelled in numerous positions in this field, including service with the Upper Savannah Council of Governments in Greenwood, South Carolina; Loris, South Carolina; Conway, South Carolina, Oak Ridge, Farragut, and Bristol in Tennessee; and finally, as Assistant City Manager in Johnson City, the position from which he is taking his much-deserved retirement; and

WHEREAS, a key member of the Johnson City leadership team for the past fourteen years, Mr. Wilson has streamlined the city's budget process; supported and helped implement several financial and human resource policies for the benefit of the city, its citizens, and its personnel; and worked on green initiatives that have led to substantial energy savings for city facilities; and

WHEREAS, this dedicated public servant was instrumental in opening the Johnson City Employee Health Center in 2016 and led the effort to begin a complete ERP software replacement project in 2020; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wilson is honored to serve as full member of the Tennessee City Management Association; and

WHEREAS, Bob Wilson gives back to his community as a member of the Rotary Club of Johnson City and a board member of the Johnson City-Washington County Animal Control Shelter and the Johnson City-Washington County Convention and Visitors Bureau; and

WHEREAS, he is a faithful member of Cornerstone Church; and

WHEREAS, his many accomplishments aside, Mr. Wilson is fortunate to share both love and companionship with his wife of thirty-five years, Sharon; their daughters and sons-in-law, Jada and Clark Boyd and Kelli and Cameron Stanberry; and their grandchildren, Maddie Stanberry, Wilson Boyd, and Blair Ellen Boyd; and

WHEREAS, Bob Wilson is wholly committed to the most noble precepts of public service, and he should be specially recognized on the occasion of his retirement; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Bob Wilson for his service to his country, his profession, and the State of Tennessee as a public manager and city administrator and extend to him our best wishes for much continued happiness and success during his retirement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.